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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, Applicant respectfully request that the following amendment be entered into the application:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 5, line 2, delete "any of claims 1 to 4", and insert --claim 1--.

Claim 6, line 2, delete "or 4".

Claim 7, line 2, delete "any of claims 1 to 6", and insert --claim 1--.

Claim 8, line 2, delete "any of claims 1 to 7", and insert --claim 1--.

Claim 9, line 2, delete "any of claims 1 to 8", and insert --claim 1--.

Claim 12, line 4, delete "or 11".